

Shipping

HIGH ADMIRAL IN TURKISH NAVY ONCE OFFICER IN NIPPON MARU

It is no wonder that one of the most famous admirals in the Turkish navy, who is now in command of the Japanese liner Nippon Maru, that called at Honolulu from the coast here yesterday afternoon, was for many years interested in the outcome of the war being waged between Turkey and the Balkan states.

It was not so many years ago that a rather clever young man, who up to some months ago held the position of the Turkish navy in the hollow of his hand, was a regular visitor at Honolulu as an officer in the "little white yacht."

Ransford D. Bucknam, a steamship man from the coast of the United States, who is now in command of the Nippon Maru, that called at Honolulu from the coast here yesterday afternoon, was for many years interested in the outcome of the war being waged between Turkey and the Balkan states.

Bucknam, upon returning from the trans-Pacific service, drifted around the world and finally wound up in the Ottoman empire. In some unaccountable manner he soon became a prime favorite with the reigning sultan and his court. Bucknam was made an advisor to the throne, and it was in this instance that his knowledge of seamanship and maritime matters won for him the coveted prize as admiral in the Turkish navy.

One or two officers in the Nippon Maru recalled Bucknam, the American adventurer, who was a jolly companion withal, and rated as an official who knew his business.

Bucknam, as he was generally known throughout the Levant, is said to have stepped down and out from the high councils of the Ottoman naval department to accept a position with one of the large ship-building concerns along the east coast of the United States.

With the ascendancy of the Young Turks the grip maintained by "Bucknam Pasha" was loosened from his high and lofty position.

His career with the Turkish government was meteoric in that he rapidly rose from aide-de-camp to the sultan, to advisor and the rank of rear admiral and placed in charge of the Ottoman fleet.

When the Nippon Maru sailed from San Francisco for the voyage to the Far East every available bit of cargo space was utilized in the stowing of three thousand tons of freight. Cotton is the product that takes up the greater part of the accommodation.

Five cabin passengers left the vessel at this port. Thirty travelers joined the liner at Honolulu for the Far East.

A through list numbering 57 cabin, 7 second class and 102 Asiatic passengers are destined for the various ports along the Japan and China coast.

A big mail arrived in this vessel, a portion of which will be transhipped to the transport Thomas and proceed to the Philippines.

The departure of the Nippon Maru at six o'clock last night with a score of members of a musical comedy company proved a painful and trying ordeal for a little circle of local stage-door johnnies who had for the past fortnight valiantly striven to win temporary favor with a bevy of fair and frolicsome chorus ladies. Tears and fragments of floral tributes were flung promiscuously about the floor of the upper gallery at Alakea wharf. Many valuable gifts and jewels were showered upon the departing characters by local admirers.

Forty vessels purchased by Japan. Since January of this year, over 40 vessels, purchased from foreign owners, have been registered in the government general of Kwantung, and the number is increasing. Quite recently, says the Nagasaki Press, Mr. Sawayama of Nagasaki purchased a 3000-ton steamer, which he renamed Toyo Maru and registered at Daien, Messrs. Fukagawa & Co. of Saga are negotiating for two 2000-ton vessels which they intend registering there, and the same course has been followed by the North China Steamship company with the French steamer Binton, 1730 tons; this company is in the market for two or three more steamers.

The principal reason for registering at Daien vessels bought abroad is to avoid the payment of the heavy import duty, but such vessels are not accorded equality of treatment with vessels registered in Japan, and their owners will probably transfer them to Japanese registry as soon as their finances have recovered from the drain made by the purchase money.

Two Big Ocean Liners Are Launched in England. LONDON, November 21. Two big ocean liners, which are destined to participate in American trade, were launched Saturday in the British isles.

The Empress of Asia, which was built in a Glasgow yard, is intended to run between North America and China. She belongs to the Canadian Pacific Railroad. She displaces 15,000 tons and is arranged for conversion if necessary into a cruiser.

The Kristianstad, which was built at Birkenhead, is intended to open a new regular service between Christiania, Norway and New York.

Mauna Kea Steamed Through Heavy Weather. The wind with strong seas served to make the inward trip of the inter-island steamer Mauna Kea a rather unpleasant one. The vessel returned this morning from Hilo and way ports with cargo including a quantity of empty drums, 25 sacks corn, 17 sacks rice, 25 cases honey, 13 cases wax, 10 cords wood, 200 packages sundries, consignments of chickens, turkeys and 240 head sheep.

Purser Phillips reported rough weather caused much difficulty in effecting landings at Mahukona and McGregors.

Busy at the Island Ports. The inter-island coasting steamers are busy these days in the movement of sugar and other cargoes from island ports to Honolulu. According to report brought to this city by Purser Phillips in the Mauna Kea, the steamer Kaula was at Honolulu, the Helena and Kaula at Launahoe, and the Keahou at Kawaihine at the time the Mauna Kea called at those ports.

Would Sell Exploring Ship. The Shirase Antarctic expedition party will be disbanded shortly. The sailing vessel Kaimaru Maru, on which the party undertook the expedition, is expected to be sold for 15,000 yen in a few days. A pamphlet recording particulars of the expedition will be issued next year.

Noeau Was Storm-Tossed. Strong winds accompanied by heavy seas caused the little steamer Noeau to toss considerably as she steamed from Kaula to Honolulu. Reporting all sugar having been cleaned out at the Makani and Kilauea warehouses, the officers stated that other ports contained but small shipments.

WEATHER TODAY

Saturday, Dec. 14. Temperature—6 a. m., 72; 8 a. m., 74; 10 a. m., 74; 12 noon, 75. Minimum last night, 71. Wind—6 a. m., E. by N., 17; 8 a. m., velocity 17; 10 a. m., velocity 20; 12 noon, velocity 24. N. E. Movement, past 24 hours, 330 miles. Barometer at 8 a. m., 29.22. Relative humidity, 8 a. m., 65. Dew-point at 8 a. m., 62. Absolute humidity, 8 a. m., 5.893. Rainfall, .09.

VESSELS TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

[Special Cable to Merchants' Exchange]

Saturday, December 14. SAN FRANCISCO—Sailed, December 14, 12 M., S. S. Enterprise for Hilo.

HILO—Arrived, December 11, ship, Gambie from Port Gambie.

S. S. Sierra sailed for San Francisco at 1 p. m. today.

Infant, Master A. D. Allman, Walter Anderson, Miss W. Blackie, H. H. Blood, H. Brown, Mrs. Brown, M. Browning, Mrs. Browning, Mrs. Alex. Chalmers, E. C. Cook, Mrs. Cook, H. A. Davis, Mrs. Davis, Dr. J. T. Cowes, J. W. DeMerritt, Mrs. DeMerritt, Mrs. R. S. F. Dodson, Mrs. A. Duren, Edwin K. Fernandez, Captain H. Ford, J. J. Ford, J. W. Flynn, Miss Marguerite Flynn, Miss V. Gentry, M. J. Getz, Mrs. M. A. Hebbard, W. J. G. Land, Mrs. Land, Leroy Leonhart, W. F. Markham, Mrs. Markham, Miss D. Masters, K. Mayer, Mrs. Mayer, Frederick Mayn, Mrs. Mayn, Dr. J. T. McDonald, Miss A. E. O'Connell, C. A. Reynolds, Dr. Ray, D. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, F. C. Ruffhead, Mrs. E. A. Rumney, Miss Kathleen C. Ruttman, E. Spiegelberg, Miss Josephine Stone, Miss Sarah Stone, W. F. Sutherst, Mrs. J. H. Taplin, P. H. Watson, H. White, S. D. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson.

Per str. Kilauea, for Kona and Kau ports, Dec. 13.—L. Gay, E. Gay, R. Gay, Elsie Gay, May Gay, C. Baldwin, W. Paris, Aileen Gibb, Foster Gibb, Miss M. Austin, Miss V. Austin, D. Wadsworth, A. Wadsworth, S. Austin, W. Bond, K. G. Bond, Miss M. Benton, Miss E. Benton, E. Baldwin, H. Baldwin, Miss Ethel Paris, Mrs. J. D. Paris, A. Paris, Mrs. E. August, Miss Akerman, Miss Mullen, Nora Moir, Grita Moir, Herbert Cullen, Miss V. Madden, Miss F. Lidgate, Miss E. Lidgate, G. Moir, Miss C. Reid, Miss M. Forrest, Mrs. G. Wright, E. M. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Falke, T. Oaki, Mrs. D. D. Wallace, L. Vasconcelos, Frank Fernandez, Alfred Fernandez, Manuel Fernandez, H. D. Wishard, Miss L. C. Lindley, Stanford Deverell, Annie Deverell.

Per T. K. K. S. S. Nippon Maru, for Japan and China ports, Dec. 13.—Miss D. Allen, G. A. Bischof, Mr. and Mrs. Breidhoff and daughter, H. Burgess, Miss L. Chambers, Carlton Chase, Miss A. Clark, J. Cook, Miss T. Dunlop, Miss V. Elbe, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hughes, Miss L. Lathrop, Burt Le Blanc, Miss E. Le Blanc, A. Levey, Miss I. Mansfield, Miss T. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. D. Nowlin, Miss C. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. F. Vack.

Per str. Claudine, for Kaula ports, Dec. 13.—Miss Nora Foster, Miss B. Smith, Mrs. A. L. Andrews, Mrs. L. M. Smith, Dr. A. L. Andrews, C. W. Cousins, J. S. B. Pratt, Jr., H. E. Starratt, E. R. Tracy.

Per str. Claudine, for Kaula ports, Dec. 20.—Miss S. Kalino, F. Robinson, A. Robinson, C. Robinson, Miss R. Hansen, Miss M. Hansen.

Per str. Mauna Kea, for Hilo, via way ports, Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Conant, Francis Lyman, Mrs. F. A. Lyman, Master H. Lyman, Miss Arg. nold, Dr. and Mrs. Goodhue, George Lindley, Stanley Mott-Smith, Ernest Mott-Smith, Miss D. Lidgate, Miss M. Lennox, Miss A. Meyers, Miss M. Meyers, Miss L. Nitch, Miss D. Nitch, Andrew Guild, Thos. Guild, Miss M. Taylor, Miss Myrtle Taylor, Miss E. Lidgate, J. Hurd, A. Akina, Carl Tuch, Chas. Akana, Mrs. D. D. Waigee, J. Maguire, R. Lund, L. M. Amiel, C. Weissman, Mr. and Mrs. G. Clawson, E. Hutchison, Mrs. G. W. A. Hapal, Mr. and Mrs. S. Chapman, A. Male, Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Wilcox, Dr. Dunwoody, Mr. Lister, A. T. Langley, F. B. Temple.

Per str. Mikahala, for Maui and Molokai ports, Dec. 17.—Miss M. Meyer, Miss A. Meyer, Miss Annie Meyer.

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HILO POLICE UNEARH PLOT OF DESPERADOES

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]

HILO HAWAII, Dec. 13.—Believed to be one of a gang of Filipino desperadoes which has been terrorizing many parts of the island and two members of which held up Manager Santos of the Santos Serrao Liquor Company, of Wailea during this week, a Filipino was relieved of a new revolver and a box of cartridges that he had just bought on Wednesday.

According to the information brought to the police station by means of one of the many secret channels of information it is believed that the revolver was intended to play an important part in a desperate hold up which was planned for yesterday afternoon and by which the members of the gang hoped to net several thousand dollars but which was abandoned on the capture of the man with the new revolver.

According to the story which has been pieced together out of the stray pieces of information that have drifted into the police station the plan of the desperadoes was to hold up Senator John Brown yesterday afternoon as he was on his way from Hilo to that section of the belt road where his men are working and for whom he was taking the money.

Squealed On Gang. It is believed that there will be very little chance of the gang holding together now as, according to rumor, they have had a split amongst themselves. It was one of them who came in and told the police that the Filipino arrested on Wednesday had the new revolver and was flashing it about.

MORMON LUAV

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manly in sin-saturated Kakaako last evening when he was approached by a glib-tongued stranger and asked to subscribe to procuring material for a luau to be given under the direction of "the Mormon church."

Kellett reached to the lower levels of his pockets for the wherewithal, when glancing at the list of subscribers he noted some flagrant flaws in its construction.

Running down the list, Kellett spied the names of "Hizzoner" Mayor Fern, several well-known business men, a little company of stevedores, all practically enscribed in the same hand.

When asked who had sent him forth, Werner attempted to sidestep, Kellett took Werner in tow and both called at the office of Presiding Elder Fernandez, high in the councils of local Mormonism. Fernandez at once repudiated the scheme for raising money operated by Werner, who was then placed under arrest.

When searched at police station the solicitor produced some small change to the amount of less than a dollar.

WEEK'S DECLINE NEARLY \$80,000

Sales on the Honolulu stock and bond exchange decreased \$79,897.50 for the week, ended at noon today, as compared with last week. The figures are \$33,128.87, against \$113,026.37.

The market closed today very dull, only Oahu Sugar and Brewery being sold on the board. Between boards the considerable block of 150 shares of Hawaiian Commercial was sold, but at a decline of one-half point to 32.75.

Oahu shows a gain of one-eighth to 23.75 for 20 shares in recess and 5 shares on the board. Oahu Railway five register a fall of 1.50 to 101.50 for \$100 reported. Brewery sold up half a point on the board to 21.50 for 25 shares.

Dividends amounting to \$200,000 were announced today as follows: Hawaiian Sugar Co., 20 cents, or \$45,000; Oahu Sugar Co., 25 cents, or \$62,500; Oahu Railway & Land Co., 65 cents, or \$12,500; Papeete Sugar Co., \$2, or \$15,000; Waialua Agricultural Co., \$1, or \$45,000.

An instance of what the truck is doing for rural California, the case of P. H. Cavanaugh, who conducts a large ranch near Summit, is cited. Mr. Cavanaugh is recent count miles from the nearest railroad station and was formerly obliged to use ten mules to haul a three-ton load of fruit to the cars for shipment, the trip to the railroad and return occupying three days. Mr. Cavanaugh now uses a truck. Kiesel Car truck. The truck makes the round trip in half a day and often has made it twice in one day. Mr. Cavanaugh figures that the day away with his mules and the saving of time and labor bought about by the truck has netted him \$10 to \$12 a day.

LOST.

Account and Receipt books belonging to L. H. Lusk, Esq., Finder please return to Honolulu Star-Bulletin office, 5417-M.

TARIFF TINKERING

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of tariff reform proposed by the National Monetary Commission. Speaking of the navy's needs, Mr. Taft said:

"I invite the attention of Congress to that part of the report of the Secretary of the Navy in which he recommends the formation of a navy reserve by the organization of the ex-soldiers of the Navy."

"I repeat my recommendation made last year that proper revision should be made for the rank of the command-in-chief of the squadrons and fleets of the Navy. The inconvenience attending the necessary precedence that most foreign admirals have over our own whenever they meet in official functions, ought to be avoided. It impairs the prestige of our Navy and is a defect that can be very easily removed."

Militia Pay Bill.

The Army the President disapproved some length. He praised the army legislation of the last Congress but said that provision should be made by law so that the nation's foreign recruits may be always maintained upon a war footing and he urged the passage of the pending militia pay bill.

resigned to make service in the militia more enticing, and showed that the home army will be not ing more than a "skeleton" until Congress provides that it be concentrated in fewer posts, then are now maintained. He urged also the passage of another bill now before Congress designed to make quickly a volunteer army in case of war.

One of the striking arguments of the message was that previous autonomy for the Philippines is over, and independence in eight years.

Philippine Experiment.

"In the Philippine islands we have embarked upon an experiment unprecedented in dealing with dependent peoples," said President Taft. "We are developing their conditions exclusively for their own welfare. Through the unifying forces of a common education, of commercial and economic development, and of gradual participation in local selfgovernment we are endeavoring to solve a homogeneous people fit to determine, when the time arrives, their own destiny. We are seeking to arouse a National spirit and not as under the older colonial theory, to suppress such a spirit. But our work is far from done. Our task to the Filipinos is far from discharged."

For educational, sanitary and political reasons, the President said, the country should not consent to grant independence at this time.

"If the task we have undertaken is higher than that assumed by other nations," continued the President, "its accomplishments must demand even more patience. To confer independence upon the Filipinos now, is therefore, to subject the great mass of their people to the dominance of an oligarchical and probably, exploiting minority. Such a course will be as cruel to those people as it would be shameful to us."

In addition to his advice in regard to legislation and his position to pending measures, the President discussed the prosperity of the nation, its financial condition and the proposed system of a national budget showing proposed expenditures and revenues; and called attention to the balance in the general fund of the Treasury, of almost \$170,000,000. His remarks on the budget system, he said, would be submitted to Congress later accompanied by a model budget.

SLAYER OF 'PAL'

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and although there are several versions as to the reason for the sudden deadly hate that counseled the shooting by the one man of his closest friend, no evidence is known to have been found that will support any of them.

"It was a tough proposition," is the only information vouchsafed by Attorney Orrin Andrews, Hagemann's legal adviser. The words alone mean little, but the tone in which he speaks implied much.

To establish a sufficient case, showing the nature of the crime and the necessity of holding the prisoner, the prosecution was required to introduce one or two witnesses at this morning's hearing, where the details of the affray were recounted so perfunctorily, without any new features added to the story published on the day following the murder. Hagemann was present, sitting beside his attorney, outwardly calm and undisturbed, jotting down note as the government's witnesses told their stories.

FREAR A 'SANTY'

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per of the Waikiki river to the community has been authorized, and has been sent to Hilo for publication.

Another was the appointment of members to the three subcommittees of the charter committee of Honolulu, which met and organized in the Executive chambers yesterday afternoon. The subcommittees are to be composed of the following:

Drafting—Judge W. L. Whitney, W. L. Whitney, W. R. Farrington, W. R. McClellan and J. C. Langel legislative.

R. W. Shingle, M. C. Robinson, A. L. Castle, J. H. Wilson and S. P. Corbett publicity. J. L. Gern, A. L. Castle, J. H. F. Wolters, Daniel Logan and V. L. Mackaye.

LAND COMMISSIONER JOSHUA TUCKER

expects to leave this afternoon for Hilo on a business trip, returning Tuesday.

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PLAN TO STOP OPIUM GANG

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—In compliance with the request of R. F. Schwerin, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, for the federal government to suggest means of stopping opium smuggling on the Pacific Mail lines, United States Attorney John L. McNab yesterday addressed a letter to Schwerin in which he set forth a plan to stop the contraband drug traffic.

McNab suggested that a system of reward to those finding opium be installed, and that part of the Chinese crew be supplanted with Filipinos, Hindus or Japanese if the matter of a wage prevented the hiring of Americans. It was suggested that the Chinese detectives who watch the vessels in Hongkong be men in whom confidence can be placed; and that greater care in the employment of watchmen at docks here be exercised. Also that Chinese and whites who are known to the federal officials as

smugglers be prohibited from visiting the docks.